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15 February 1968

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

Morning Meeting of 15 February 1968

The Director was addressing the American Business Council. DDCI was in the chair.

DD/I provided a book of maps of China and indicated it will receive normal distribution after the Director has determined whether he first wants special advance distribution.

DD/I reported that Task Force [] is negative.

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Godfrey drew attention to a report from Danang which emphasizes that morale in Quang Tri city has deteriorated badly.

Godfrey noted that an enemy effort to break out of the Citadel in Hue was repulsed by the ARVN.

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[] the ambiance in Hanoi suggests the North Vietnamese are quite prepared to wage a protracted war if necessary.

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Godfrey noted that the Greeks and Turks are reportedly talking about a four-party conference on Cyprus, including themselves and the Greek and Turkish Cypriots, to be chaired by the Canadians.

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Carver noted that a telephone conversation between Headquarters and Saigon Station is taking place today with a view toward meshing moods in Washington and Vietnam.

Carver reported that George Allen is leaving for Saigon on Sunday to undertake discussion of various matters with the Station.

Carver drew attention to the possibility that the Communists may be attempting to dominate and attach the two northern provinces of South Vietnam.

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Warner and Goodwin noted that the Director has authorized a vigorous denial of the "100-year war" statement wrongly attributed to him by the New York Post.

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DD/S&T reported that an OXCART North Vietnamese mission is slated for tonight and noted that authorization for the North Korean mission has not yet been given.

DD/S&T reported that he met with Dr. Flax concerning CIA's presentation to PFIAB about the future of the OXCART project and that Dr. Flax should be no problem in this connection.

DD/S&T reported that the informal session with the Joint Strategic Target Planning Staff of SAC went quite well and was mutually beneficial.

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ACTION:

1. DDCI asked the DD/I to examine the prospects and problems of succession to Ayub. (20 February)

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for L. K. White

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